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Re: Indiana Northeastern Railroad Company Proposed Abandonment in Branch and St. Joseph
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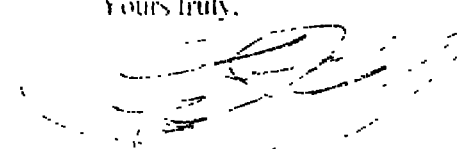
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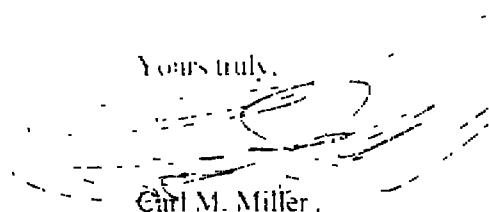
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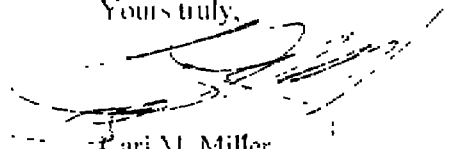
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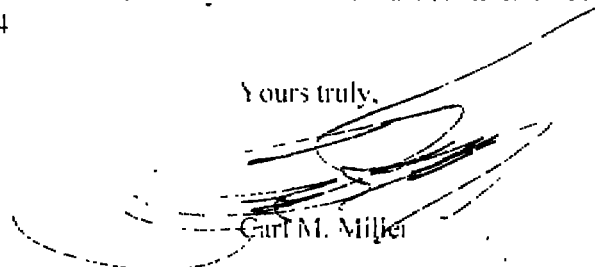
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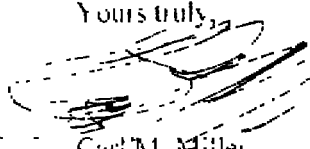
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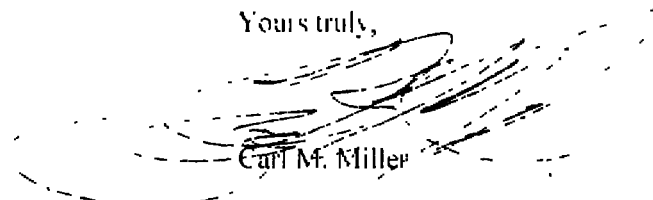
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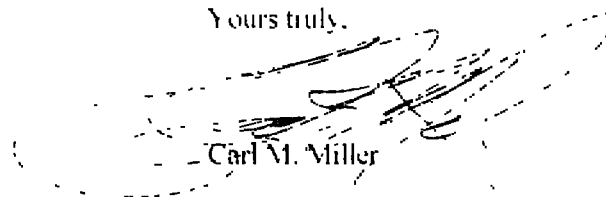
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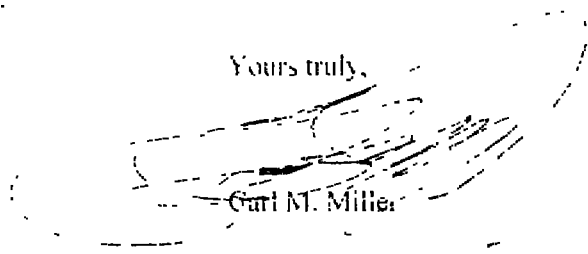
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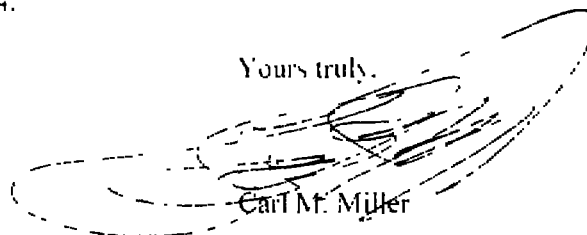
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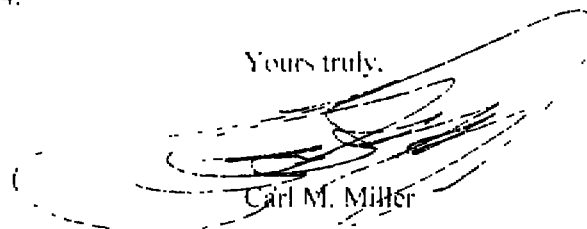
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St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners
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Re: Indiana Northeastern Railroad Company Proposed Abandonment in Branch and St. Joseph
Counties, Michigan. Docket: AB-1102X

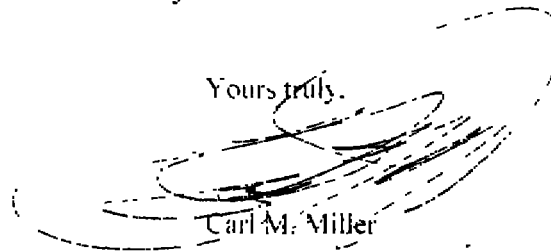
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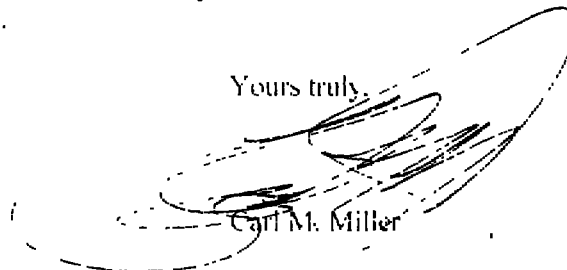
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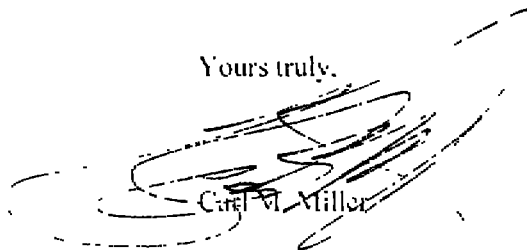
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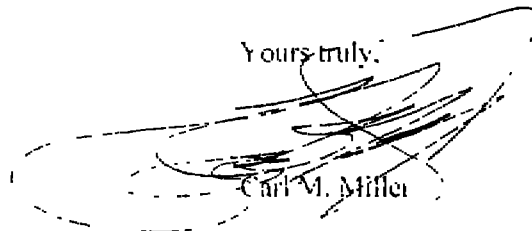
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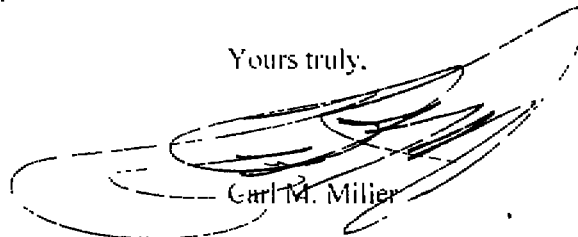
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